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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Office Action dated December 3, 2003, the period for response to which having been extended to June 3, 2003 by petition and payment of the requisite fee filed herewith, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are currently pending in this application. Claim 1 is the only independent claim.

The Examiner indicated that claim 7 contains allowable subject matter. See Office Action, page 3. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's early indication of allowable subject matter.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-6, 8, 9, and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Robertson et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,341,728) and rejected claims

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